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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Texarkana Regional Airport (TXK) Runway Extension in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Texarkana Regional Airport Authority, located at 201 Airport Drive, Texarkana, Arkansas, 71854. The funding would be used to extend the airport's primary runway by 500 feet and install new navigational lights consistent with the extension. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because TXK is a regional hub serving residents and businesses in southwestern Arkansas and eastern Texas.

TXK is an incredibly important economic engine to the local community and is a vital element of the national airport system. A recent study by the Arkansas Department of Aeronautics found that TXK supports nearly 500 jobs with a total payroll of \$15.4 million and an annual economic output of \$38.8 million. The runway extension project will allow for larger, heavier planes to use the airport and access commercial services for aircraft maintenance that are expected to grow around the airport. The project will also help the airport achieve long-term financial self-sufficiency.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Bruce Westerman  
Member of Congress